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Portugal

US State Dept Travel Advisory

The US Department of State currently recommends US citizens **DO NOT TRAVEL** to Portugal due to COVID-19. Consult its website via the link below for updates to travel advisories and statements on safety, security, local laws and special circumstances in this country.

<https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/traveladvisories/traveladvisories.html>

Passport/Visa Requirements

US citizens should make sure their passport will not expire for at least 6 months after they enter the country even if they do not intend to stay that long. They should also make sure they have at least 2 blank pages in their passport for any entry stamp that will be required. A visa is not required as long as you do not stay in the country more than 89 days.

US Embassy/ Consulate

[351] (21) 727-3300; US Embassy Lisbon, Avenida das Forças Armadas, 1600-081 Lisboa, Portugal

Vaccinations

See WHO recommendations

<http://www.who.int>

Climate

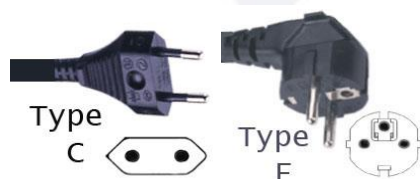
Maritime temperate; cool and rainy in north, warmer and drier in south

Currency (Code)

Euros (EUR)

Electricity/Voltage/Plug Type(s)

230 V / 50 Hz / plug type(s): C, F



Major Languages

Portuguese, Mirandese

Religions

Roman Catholic 81%, other Christian 3.3%, other (includes Jewish, Muslim) 0.6%, none 6.8%, unspecified 8.3%

Time Difference

UTC 0 (5 hours ahead of Washington, DC, during Standard Time); daylight saving time: +1hr, begins last Sunday in March, ends last Sunday in October; note: Portugal has 2 time zones, including the Azores (UTC-1)

Potable Water

Yes

International Driving Permit

Suggested

Road Driving Side

Right

Tourist destinations

Lisbon (includes Belem Tower, Monument to the Discoveries, Oceanarium,

Jerónimos Monastery, São Jorge Castle, Ajuda Palace); Palácio Nacional de Sintra; Convento do Cristo (Tomar); Guimarães Castle

Cultural Practices

The number 13 is considered unlucky in Portugal. It is best not to give 13 flowers in an arrangement as a gift.

Tipping Guidelines

In tourist areas, if a service fee is not included in a restaurant bill, tip 10%. Tip 1-2 euros at the bar for good service. Tipping your tour guide and driver around 5 euros each day is appropriate. Taxi drivers in Portugal will not expect a tip, but if they turn up on time, share information about the country, and generally provide good service, rounding up the fare is common. Tip porters 1-2 euros per bag.

Telephone Code

351

**Local Emergency
Phone**

112

Please visit the following links to find further information about your desired destination.

[World Health Organization \(WHO\) - To learn what vaccines and health precautions to take while visiting your destination. http://www.who.int](http://www.who.int)

[US State Dept Travel Information - Overall information about foreign travel for US citizens. https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/international-travel.html](https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/international-travel.html)

[To obtain an international driving permit \(IDP\). Only two organizations in the US issue IDPs: American Automobile Association \(AAA\) \(www.aaa.com\) and American Automobile Touring Alliance \(AATA\) \(www.aataidp.com\)](http://www.aaa.com)

US citizens may call the US Dept of State (+1-202-501-4444) for emergencies abroad.

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